



## Coalition of Rainbow Alliances

Monthly Meeting Minutes  
April 11, 2021 at 5:00 PM  
Zoom and First Church of the Brethren

1     **I. Call to Order**

2     The meeting was called to order by Jim Barr at 5:01 PM.

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4     **II. Roll Call and Introduction of Guests**

5     The following members were in attendance: Jim Barr, Lee Korty, Bert Morton, Mike  
6     Johnson, Rex Schadow, April Poole, Brian Sylvester, Timothy Bill, Paula Harris, Jan  
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9     A quorum was present.

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11    The following guests were introduced: Katrina Hays

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13    **III. Approval of the March 14, 2021 Meeting Minutes**

14    Timothy Bill submitted the minutes from the March 14, 2021 monthly meeting which  
15    had been shared electronically.

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17    **MOTION** by Paula:

18    Move to approve the minutes of the March 14, 2021 meeting.

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20    This motion was seconded and approved without dissent.

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22    **IV. Presentation from United Way of Central Illinois**

23    Katrina Hays, Director of Community Impact with the United Way, made a short  
24    presentation about the Vision Councils of the local United Way. The group asked  
25    questions of Katrina about this opportunity. After her presentation, she excused  
26    herself from the meeting.

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28    **V. Officer Reports and Executive Board Updates**

29    **A. Treasurer's Report**

30    Brian provided an oral treasurer's report. He reported the monthly balance,  
31    pledged amounts, and the available balance.

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33    **MOTION** by Bert:

34    Move to approve the treasurer's report from March.

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36    The motion was seconded and approved without dissent.

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38    **B. Other Officer Reports**

39    *There were no other officer reports.*

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### **C. Executive Board Updates**

Jim provided updates to the group from the executive board meeting yesterday. The board discussed many topics including work from the committee, future board meetings, and the board training provided by Bruce Nims.

## **VI. Committee Reports**

### **A. Finance Committee**

Brian and the Finance Committee are waiting for good weather to meet outside for their next meeting.

### **B. Pridefest Committee**

Bert reported that the Pridefest door has been delivered and setup. April reported that there is a selfie/photo contest involving the six doors around town. The group held a discussion about decorating around the door. Those who are interested can meet at the church next Saturday at 10:00 AM, weather permitting.

### **C. Pride Picnic Committee**

Brian reported that we are considering making this a fundraising event where individuals could purchase a boxed lunch and pick it up as a drive thru event. Brian and Jim are working on pricing the boxed lunch options. The group discussed the logistics of this event.

### **D. Ritz Committee**

Bert reminded the group that the Ritz has been rescheduled for March 26, 2022. Letters are being sent out to sponsors, advertisers, and ticket purchases. If you are interested in volunteering with this committee, please contact Bert or April. The committee is working with Tim to promote our sponsors online.

### **E. Nominations Committee**

Mike reported that there is one nomination for President: Jim Barr, one nomination for Secretary: Tim Bill, and four nominations for Member-at-Large: Deb Torres, Jan Thompson, Julie Koon, and Stan Duknowski. Anyone nominated for a position will be given time to speak before the election takes place in May.

### **F. Ad Hoc Committee to Develop Social Media Guidelines**

Brian reported that committee met, discussed policy, procedures, and creating a permanent Social Media Committee. Rodney would chair the committee with Ann and Tim as members. Brian is also willing to serve on the committee if needed.

**MOTION** by Brian:



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81 To create a Social Media Committee composed of Rodney, Ann, and Tim tasked  
82 with crafting a social media policy.

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84 This motion was seconded and approved without dissent.

### 85 86 **VII. Old Business**

#### 87 **A. Update on LGBTQIA History Project**

88 Brian reported that Larry Christensen and Mary Kay Robison have been  
89 interviewed and Martha Miller is to be interviewed soon.

#### 90 91 **B. Online Community for Lesbian, Bi/Pansexual Womxn**

92 April reported that the group is working on a Facebook group, developing rules,  
93 logo, mission statement, and history. The group should be ready to launch soon.  
94 The Women 4 Womxn group is an independent group.

#### 95 96 **C. Sliders Game**

97 Rex reported that we are waiting to see before moving forward with this event  
98 this year. Bert has also been in communication and is working to get more  
99 information.

### 100 101 **VIII. New Business**

#### 102 **A. NPR Campaign**

103 Tim reported that NPR has reached out inviting us to participate in their May  
104 fundraising drive. For every \$300 donated to NPR in CORAL's name, CORAL  
105 would earn 10 free advertisements that could be used over the next calendar  
106 year to promote our event. NPR will be sending us materials to promote this  
107 campaign on social media.

### 108 109 **IX. Announcements, Updates, and Communication from Other Organizations**

#### 110 **A. PRISM Update**

111 Tim reported that PRISM had no updates to share from the past month.

#### 112 113 **B. First Church of the Brethren**

114 April reported that First Church of the Brethren will be holding a Chili Dinner  
115 Drive from 4-6 PM on April 25<sup>th</sup>. Tickets are \$8.00 a person and provide chili  
116 (meat or vegetarian) with cornbread, crackers, and cookies. The proceeds go  
117 towards the First Church of the Brethren capital improvement fund.

#### 118 119 **C. Habitat for Humanity Walk**

120 Jim reported that the walk will be starting at either 1 or 2 PM in Enos Park on



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121 April 25<sup>th</sup>. He has a meeting with the group later this week.

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### 123 X. **Adjournment**

124 Brian motioned to adjourn. The motion was seconded and approved without dissent.

125 The meeting adjourned at 6:36 PM.

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### 127 **Dates to Remember**

- 128 • April 16 Brothers & Sisters – Social Distance Gathering 6 PM
- 129 • April 25 First Church Chili Supper 4-6 PM
- 130 • April 25 Walk for Habitat for Humanity
- 131 • May 9 CORAL Monthly Meeting (Mother’s Day) 5 PM
- 132 • May 12 Equality Illinois Advocacy Day
- 133 • May 15 Springfield Pridefest Virtual Activities
- 134 • May 29 Black Lives Matter Solidarity Day
- 135 • May 31 Memorial Day
- 136 • June 13 CORAL Monthly Meeting
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- 138 • March 26, 2022 The Ritz

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140 Minutes Submitted By: Timothy Bill, Secretary